

"Best Ever Made."

**FEARLESS**

**RAILWAY  
HORSE-POWER**

AND

**THRESHER and CLEANER,**  
MANUFACTURED AT

**Empire**  
**Agricultural Works,**  
**Vinard Harder, Propr.,**  
**COBLESKILL, N. Y.**

WEED, PARSONS & COMPANY,

PRINTERS,

ALBANY, N. Y.

# THE FEARLESS STANDS AHEAD OF ALL RAILWAY THRESHING MACHINES.

Being the only Entire Machine awarded a

## GRAND PRIZE MEDAL AND DIPLOMA OF HONOR

On both Horse-Power and Thresher and Cleaner, at the Centennial Exhibition, as shown by official report; from which the following extracts relative to the basis of the award are made.

*"For special features in the Tread Power to secure light running and minimum friction. Also for the ingenious form of straw shakers which ensure the proper agitation to separate the grain from the straw."*

A full description of these valuable Machines being impossible within the limits of a circular like this, the following brief statement of **facts** is made:

This Horse-power is the **easiest running Railway Power on record**, producing **more power with less elevation and slower movement of horses** than any other; and is, therefore, better adapted to the use of oxen and mules, as well as horses, than others requiring greater elevation and a more rapid rate of travel.

The Thresher and Cleaner possesses **new and unequaled** arrangements for separating grain from straw, embracing the **greatest advances that have yet been made** in this **important** particular. Its separator and sieves are unusually large for a machine of its class, and are capable of doing a larger business than others of smaller size. **It operates well** in all kinds of grain, rice, flax, millet, clover and timothy.

For the foregoing reasons, together with the fact that the material used in the construction of these machines, and the mechanical execution of the same, are superior, it is confidently believed this Horse-power and Thresher and Cleaner, constitute the **best Railway Threshing Machine in the world**. This is proved by the **highest and latest authority, the Centennial Award**, made after a field trial, under the direction and supervision of the Board of Judges of Agricultural Implements, the Board being composed of the following competent and reliable gentlemen, eminent for their practical and scientific knowledge of the matters upon which they passed:

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| JOHN COLEMAN, Chairman,                                         | Great Britain.    |
| Dr. JOSE DE SALANHA,                                            | Brazil.           |
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| JAMES BRUCE, Esq.,                                              | Corvallas.        |

HIGHEST PRIZE GRAND MEDAL  
AWARDED THE



FEARLESS HORSE POWER AND  
THRESHER AND CLEANER



AT CENTENNIAL EXHIBITION.

The Harder Machine still retains the foremost position.

No other receives equal Honors.

THE HIGHEST PRIZE  
AND ONLY GOLD MEDALS



AWARDED BY THE NEW YORK STATE  
AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY



SINCE THE HARDER MACHINE  
ENTERED THE FIELD IN 1860.

Most Profitable to both Farmers and Threshermen.

Buy the Machine the Records show The Best.

MARYLAND AND THE



OLD DOMINION STATE



SPEAK FORTH THEIR PRAISE.

From all the Good choose the Best.

Honor to whom Honor is due.

# THE KEYSTONE STATE

Purchase the Fearless, the Farmers' Favorite.



The Best is the Cheapest in the end.

DECLARES HER PREFERENCE.



## THE TWO GRAND GOLD MEDALS,

Represented on one of the preceding pages, were awarded Harder's Two-horse Power and Thresher and Cleaner, at the great National Implement Trial, Auburn, N. Y., for "*slow and easy movement of horses, fifteen rods less than one and a half miles travel per hour; thorough and conscientious workmanship and material in every place; nothing slighted; mechanical execution of the very best kind, deserving of high commendation; greatest advances yet made in the art of separating grain from straw; delivering the grain in a very clean and excellent condition, &c.*"

As evidence establishing the claim of superiority, the following brief extracts of letters received from persons using these Machines, are given, relative to the same. In referring to the quantities threshed, the testimonials probably give results performed under the most favorable circumstances, and therefore we would not wish it understood that our machines can do as much under *all* circumstances; however, we have no doubt of the truth of every statement set forth, and that every machine sent out from the Empire Agricultural Works is capable of doing as well under like circumstances.

### NEW YORK.

**Model of Perfection.**—W. W. Pelton, Orange Co., says: "My machine has become a great favorite among the farmers throughout the town. I consider it the very model of perfection."

**Dust-flue worth \$100.**—J. T. Moses and A. J. Smalley, Allegany Co., say: "We would not have the dust-flue taken off for \$100, if we could not get another. Have earned \$50 in two days."

**Good Investment.**—T. J. Temple, Oswego Co., says: "I run my machine about five weeks, earned \$300, and sold it for the same it cost me."

**Earned \$900. in less than four months.**—O. J. & G. W. Decker, Delaware Co., say: "Have earned \$900. in less than four months. No grain is left in the straw."

**Skill Displayed.**—Hon. A. B. Conger, Ex-president N. Y. State Agricultural Society, Rockland Co., says: "I trust the skill you have displayed in the perfecting of your machine will secure to you a large patronage from the farming community."

### PENNSYLVANIA.

**Expectation exceeded.**—J. Q. Adams, Dauphin Co., says: "I was satisfied you would send me a good machine, but must say it exceeds my expectation."

**Works well in Clover and Timothy.**—D. Lichty & S. J. Miller, Somerset Co., say: "It cleans wheat, rye, barley and oats, ready for mill or market, and does its work well in threshing clover and timothy."

**Relieved of the Dust.**—A. B. Shipman, Lycoming Co., says: "My thresherman is well pleased with the dust-flue. The feeder and team are completely relieved of the dust. I do not think it hard on a team to thresh every day, for this we do, month in and month out."

### NEW JERSEY.

**Half-a-day Runs.**—J. L. Grant, Somerset Co., says: "I am more than satisfied with it. No machine in this part of the country can begin with it. I frequently run half a day without stopping, and without the least injury to team."

## OHIO.

**Two Horses equal to Four.**—F. H. Wright, Summit Co., says: "The Two-horse Power I purchased of you does with ease the work of four horses on a sweep power, and that, too, with no liability to get out of order."

**Not half as Hard as a Sweep-power.**—E. W. Williams, Portage Co., says: "For sawing I use two horses, and can saw as fast as with a four-horse sweep power, and it is not half as hard for the horses. I have now used the Power nearly two years, and I would not deduct one cent from the original cost were I wishing to sell it."

## MICHIGAN.

**Michigan State Agricultural College.**—Prof. M. Miles, of above College, at Lansing, says: "For several years past, we have used your Horse-power on the college farm, in sawing wood, cutting feed, pulping turnips, and threshing, with the most satisfactory results. Your Thresher and Cleaner does its work rapidly and in the best possible manner. We have expended nothing in repairs, which speaks well for the workmanship and prospective durability of the machines."

**Profitable way of Threshing.**—J. J. Mead, Ingham Co., says: "I am highly pleased. It is all that could be expected or desired. No machine can do the work better, and the small number of men and horses in running it makes a large item on the profit side."

## INDIANA.

**Strong Opposition overcome.**—J. E. Wymond, Dearborn Co., says: "My opposition when I commenced was very strong, but now the scale is greatly changed. The eight-horse machine men are completely cleared out, and have run away from Harder's New York Clipper, as it is often called."

## ILLINOIS.

**104 Bushels Flax in a day.**—W. O. Selts, DeKalb Co., says: "The first day I threshed 104 bushels of flax."

**Wishes every Farmer could see them.**—J. J. Foote, Boone Co., says: "I have found my Two-horse Power, Thresher and Cleaner, and Circular-saw machine all equal to the statements in your catalogue and circulars, and am more than satisfied with my purchase. I am so well pleased that I wish every farmer could see them."

## WISCONSIN.

**The Machine for Western Farmers.**—F. F. Farnham & T. Smith, Columbia Co., say: "We find your Two-horse Power and Thresher and Cleaner exactly the thing. We predict a large sale for them in the West as soon as their advantages are known."

## IOWA.

**Thinks He can Thresh 400 Bushels wheat per day.**—Hon. C. F. Clarkson, Hardin Co., says: "I believe I can thresh 400 bushels wheat per day. Your machine is in my barn, where it will probably stay as long as I live."

## KANSAS.

**Threshing at about Half Cost.**—Joseph Hayton, Doniphan Co., says: "I can thresh my grain at about one-half the cost in comparison to the large lever-power machines."

## MISSOURI.

**Cheapest for the Farmer.**—Samuel Shibley, Adair Co., says: "Your machine will do almost the work of an eight-horse lever power, take the season through, and it is a great deal cheaper for the farmer."

## KENTUCKY.

**Sweepstakes Machine Beaten.**—W. M. Winlock, Baren Co., says: "We set our machine one day in sight of a ten-horse Sweepstakes machine. They made fun of the 'little thing,' but when night came the 'little thing' had threshed 13 bushels the most."

**Threshed 400 Bushels Wheat in a Day.**—O. C. Bowles, Pike Co., says: "The Two-horse Power and Thresher and Cleaner I bought of you two years ago, after thorough test, have given entire satisfaction. On one occasion I threshed 400 bushels of wheat in a day, besides setting the machine."

## MARYLAND.

**Disbelievers Convinced.**—P. H. Haviland, Charles Co., says: "All that have seen my machine operate, say they never saw a Cleaner that would clean the grain so well; and but few believe that two horses can do so much till they see it work."

## DELAWARE.

**Bishop Scott's Testimony.**—Rev. Bishop Scott, says: "The machine bought of you last summer is admirable, and does its work rapidly and well. I wish you the success your work so richly merits."

## VIRGINIA.

**The Pocket Machine the Top of the Heap.**—G. G. & E. S. Ely, Loudon Co., say: "Our machine at first was called the 'pocket machine,' and several such names; but it was not long before it won for itself an enviable reputation, and stood at the top of the heap, both for amount and manner of its work."

## WEST VIRGINIA.

**A Good Bargain.**—W. A. Watson, Lewis Co., says: "It gives entire satisfaction, and I regard it as the best machine I ever saw. It is one of the best bargains lever made."

## NORTH CAROLINA.

**Saves the Grain.**—N. J. Neal, Chatham Co., says: "It threshes well, saves grain the best of any machine I ever saw, and cleans it perfectly."

## SOUTH CAROLINA.

**Threshing Rice.**—A. W. Leland, Charleston Co., says: "I use my machine for threshing rice, and am more and more pleased with it every day."

## TENNESSEE.

**Six and Eight-horse Machines outdone.**—B. Lee, Knox Co., says "One week we threshed in the same neighborhood with a six-horse — and an eight-horse —, and at the end of the week we had threshed 80 bushels more than the six-horse and 40 bushels more than the eight-horse machine, each putting in full time."

**Side-shake of Sieves better than End-shake.**—W. P. Raney, Bedford Co., says: "I think the side shake of sieves better than the end shake. I threshed 293 bushels of wheat in five hours."

## TEXAS.

**Threshed 600 Bushels per day.**—W. F. Rankin, Denton Co., says: "I am well pleased with my Two-horse machine purchased last May. Have threshed 600 bushels of oats and 300 bushels wheat per day with it."

## VERMONT.

**Earned \$14.00 in five hours.**—S. W. Mead, Chittenden Co., says: "It is complete in every respect. I could get two cents a bushel more for threshing than other machines. Homer Goodrich threshed 280 bushels with it in 5 hours, for which he received \$14.00. For clover and timothy it is equally good."

## MASSACHUSETTS.

**Found at Last.**—H. L. Rowe, Berkshire Co., says: "I have been trying for the past two years to find a threshing machine, and after visiting all the principal manufactories in York State, I did not succeed in finding one to suit me until I saw and purchased yours, which I consider as near perfection as can be."

## CONNECTICUT.

**Earned over \$1,000 in 13 Weeks.**—J. A. Fitch, New London Co., says: "We run our machine about thirteen weeks the past fall, and earned over one thousand dollars."

## RHODE ISLAND.

**Sawing Wood Rapidly.**—J. W. Sherman, Newport Co., says: "It is all I can desire. I can saw one cord of wood in  $7\frac{1}{4}$  minutes by the watch—that is, a quarter of a cord in four cuts."

## MAINE.

**Great Satisfaction.**—Messrs. Deming & Sons, Washington Co., say: "Your machines have given great satisfaction, and they say cannot be beaten."

## COLORADO.

**Threshing Rapidly.**—C. M. Russell, Weld Co., says: "I can thresh and clean 50 bushels of good wheat per hour and 2 bushels of oats per minute."

## UTAH.

**The Machine for this Territory.**—Chas. Westover, Washington Co., says: "It is a machine that recommends itself wherever it goes. The people for whom I have threshed say it is the very machine for this country. The Dust-flue I would not part with for any consideration."

## NEVADA.

**1,500 lbs. of Barley per hour.**—Chas. Greene, White Pine Co., says: "Your machine has proved entirely satisfactory. Have threshed 1,500 pounds of barley per hour with two light horses, and would thresh 2,000 pounds per hour with heavy horses."

## OREGON.

**Great Average.**—W. M. & D. Sherer, Linn Co., say: "We have averaged the entire season 305 bushels per day, four-fifths of the amount being wheat. Pretty good threshing for a two-horse machine."

## CALIFORNIA.

**Saving of 20 to 30 per cent.**—H. M. White, Tule River, says: "I found your machine to work like a charm. I would not give mine to-day for one of the eight-horse power Threshers and Cleaners."

## CANADA.

**Evidence of a Manufacturer.**—John Watson, Ayr, says: "I have much pleasure in stating, that after two years' use I consider it in every respect the best Power I have seen; and I have seen and examined most of those made in the United States and Canada."

## NOVA SCOTIA.

**Best Imported from the United States.**—D. R. & C. F. Eaton, Cornwallis, say: "It is due to you to state, that after having well tested your machine, we are of the opinion that of the many that have been built here, and imported from the United States, the equal of your two-horse power and Thresher and Cleaner has never yet been seen in Nova Scotia."

# Prices on Cars at Cobleskill, N. Y

## RAILWAY HORSE POWERS.

|                                                           |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Three-horse Power, Oil-can and Wrench, without belt,..... | \$240 00 |
| Two-horse Power, Oil-can and Wrench, without belt,.....   | 190 00   |
| One-horse Power, Oil-can and Wrench, without belt,.....   | 160 00   |
| Truck-wagon for mounting Three-horse Power, .....         | 90 00    |
| Truck-wagon for mounting Two-horse Power,.....            | 60 00    |

## THRESHERS AND CLEANERS.

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| Thresher and Cleaner with 36-inch Cylinder and 44-inch wide Separator, Oil-can, Wrench and Belt-punch, without main belt, ..... | 265 00 |
| Thresher and Cleaner with 32-inch Cylinder and 40-inch wide Separator, Oil-can, Wrench and Belt-punch, without main belt, ..... | 245 00 |
| Thresher and Cleaner with 28-inch Cylinder and 36-inch wide Separator, Oil-can, Wrench and Belt-punch, without main belt, ..... | 225 00 |
| Patent Dust-flue, extra,.....                                                                                                   | 10 00  |
| Truck-wagon for either size Thresher and Cleaner,.....                                                                          | 55 00  |

## THRESHERS WITHOUT CLEANERS.

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| Thresher with 30-inch Cylinder, and 40-inch wide Separator,..... | 80 00 |
| Thresher with 26-inch Cylinder, and 36-inch wide Separator,..... | 70 00 |

## MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES.

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| Straw-stacker with Windlass and Ropes, complete, 16 feet,..... | 40 00 |
| Straw-stacker with Windlass and Ropes, complete, 12 feet,..... | 35 00 |
| Circular-saw Machine with 24-inch Saw,.....                    | 70 00 |
| Improved Bevel Fanning-mill,.....                              | 35 00 |

## BELTING.

Any desired quantity and width of Leather or Rubber Belting furnished at manufacturers' prices.

## REMARKS.

The above prices of Threshers and Cleaners do not include Tailing Elevator nor Patent Dust-flue, both of which are extras, the price of the Elevator being \$15.00, and the Dust-flue \$10.00.

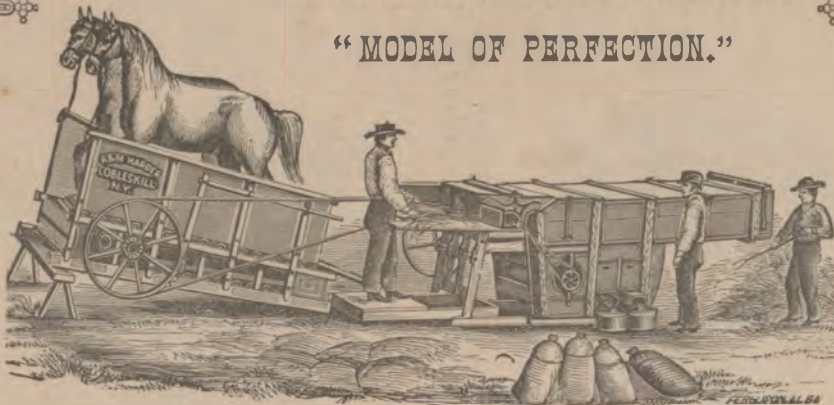
The purchase of the Dust-flue is, however, advised in all cases, and unless otherwise ordered, is attached; but as many of the best operators of these machines prefer to use them without the Tailing Elevator, and do so, no Elevator is attached unless ordered.

It is not advisable to attach Straw-stackers to Two-horse Machines. For full information, send for descriptive and illustrated catalogue.

Address,

MINARD HARDER, Cobleskill, Schoharie Co., N. Y.

"MODEL OF PERFECTION."



Price on Cars, at Cobleskill, N. Y.

Two-horse Power, Thresher and Cleaner with 28-inch Cylinder  
and 36-inch wide Separator, Oil-can, Belt-punch and three  
Wrenches, without Main Belt,

\$415.00